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REPORT ON UNIFIL UNCLASSIFIED

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1. FOURTH PROGRESS REPORT ON UNIFIL DATED MAY 5
HAS BEEN ISSUED BY SECRETARY-GENERAL. IT RECAPITULATES
IN LARGE MEASURE INFORMATION ALREADY PROVIDED TO THE
SECURITY COUNCIL IN SYG'S ORAL STATEMENTS DURING
INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS AND FORMAL MEETING MAY 2 AND 3.

- 2. REPORT LISTS TOTAL UNIFIL STRENGTH, BY NATIONALITY, OF 4,016 (3,180 "GROUND TROOPS" AND 836 "LOGISTIC COMPONENT) PLUS 23 UNTSO MILITARY OBSERVERS ASSISTING UNIFIL. IT NOTES THAT IDF WITHDRAWAL WAS CARRIED OUT ON SCHEDULE APRIL 30 WITH MOST IDF POSITIONS BEING TAKEN OVER BY SENEGALESE FORCES, PLUS SOME FRENCH, IRANIAN AND SWEDISH. DETAILS OF THE DEPLOYMENT OF THE VARIOUS CONTINGENTS ARE OUTLINED. THE INCIDENTS OF MAY 1-2 ARE RECOUNTED ALONG THE LINES PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. WALDHEIM ALSO REPORTS BRIEFLY ON THE CONTACTS HE MADE DURING HIS VISIT TO THE AREA APRIL 17-19 WITHOUT GOING INTO THE SUBSTANCE OF THE DISCUSSIONS.
- 3. IN THE FINAL SECTION OF THE REPORT, WALDHEIM REFERS TO "MOST SERIOUS SITUATION" WITH WHICH UNIFIL WAS FACED DURING PERIOD UNDER REVIEW AND REPORTS ON HIS CONTACT WITH ARAFAT IN THIS CONNECTION AND LATTER'S ASSURANCE OF COOPERATION. AFTER POINTING OUT THE BASICALLY DEFENSIVE CHARACTER OF UNIFIL'S WEAPONS AND FUNCTION (I.E. TO USE FORCE ONLY WHEN ATTACKED "OR WHEN ATTEMPTS ARE MADE TO PREVENT THEM FROM PERFORMING THEIR DUTIES UNDER THE MANDATE OF THE SC"), THE SYG STATES THAT IN ORDER TO BE EFFECTIVE UNIFIL "MUST OPERATE WITH THE FULL COOPERATION OF ALL THE PARTIES CONCERNED. I WISH TO APPEAL TO ALL THE GOVERNMENTS AND OTHER PARTIES CONCERNED IN THE SITUATION UNCLASSIFIED

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IN SOUTHERN LEBANON TO EXTEND TO UNIFIL ALL POSSIBLE SUPPORT AND COOPERATION" IN ACCORDANCE WITH SC RESES 425 AND 426. YOUNG

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